



IF IT WON'T HELP
W'N THE WAR —
FORGET IT!

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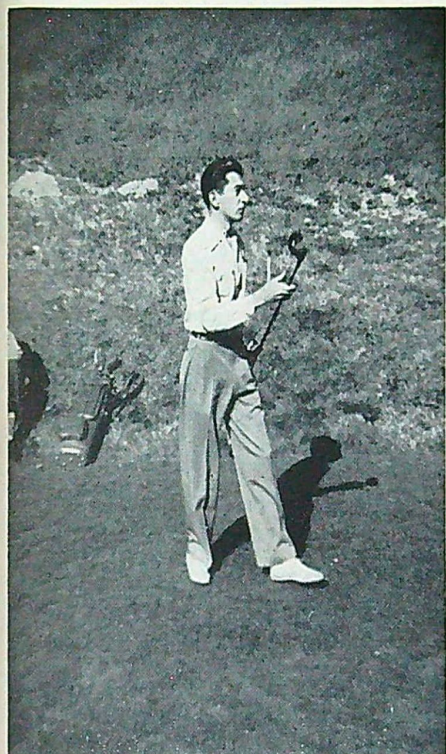


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ANVIL CHORUS

SUPERVISORS CONTEST BEGINS MONDAY, FEB. 21st



CHARLIE GALBREATH chases the elusive pill . . . Ain't he handsome?

GOLF

Dain Sturges

If you see some of the boys scurrying out at 12:00 sharp on Saturday at noon with determined, almost hysterical looks on their faces, you may be sure they're golf addicts on their way to a practice round in preparation for the monthly tournament.

Play has been scheduled for Sunday, February 27 at the Western Avenue Golf Course. Starting times will be assigned between 9:05 and 10:05 A. M. to eliminate the usual waits and distracting audiences at the first tee. See Jigger Statz or Dain Sturges to arrange for your foursome and starting time.

ALICE BRADEN — wearing a new diamond (from a young Flying Lt.) The date — any day now.

SPECIAL NOTICE

OFFICIAL WAR DEPARTMENT COMBAT FILMS WILL BE SHOWN IN THE CLUBHOUSE, TOMORROW, SATURDAY, AT 11 A. M. and 12:15 so that most of our folks can see them.

Dramatic sequences show the landing at Salerno . . . the bloody battle on the beach . . . amphibious attacks on Jap held islands.

Captured German film shows the actual abduction of Mussolini. A FILM THAT PULLS NO PUNCHES. A THRILLING AND ACTUAL STORY IN PICTURES OF FRANK AND GRIM EPISODES IN THE WORLD CONFLICT.

EVERY DOLLAR DOES DOUBLE DUTY when you buy war bonds. It helps win the war . . . and provides a nest egg for the future.



GLENN CRIST Drives to Green in One Shot . . . After Another.

Word comes to Anvil Chorus from Bob Ringle that a Suggestion Contest is being scheduled to run for three months — from February 21st to and including May 20th, 1944, for Supervisors and Foremen.

According to Bob the regular Suggestion System will remain in effect as it has in the past.

Here are the general contest rules:

1. No suggestions will be accepted in this contest after May 20, 1944.
2. Awards will be considered only if they increase production or reduce costs.
3. Suggestions must be worked out with understandable explanation of their use, operation and application. If possible rough sketches should be included with suggestions.
4. No suggestion will be accepted if it has already been put into effect.
5. Twenty percent of the estimated net saving for one year's production will be the basis of the award in each case.
6. Awards in excess of \$100 will be paid \$100 at the time of the award and the balance at the end of one year.

By means of this contest it is hoped that many Plumb Toolers who have never before submitted suggestions will be encouraged to do so. You not only get a cash award but you also get a "bonus" in the form of an uplift in morale, in the knowledge that you have contributed something tangible, over and above your daily task, that will help win the war.

Suggestions from people on the production lines of the country have been potent weapons in the arsenal of democracy. These suggestions have not only saved time, money and materials, but undoubtedly have brought victory closer and actually saved thousands of lives in our armed forces.

So . . . get busy on that idea you have in the back of your cranium. Don't pay any attention to wise cracks about how silly your idea is. Ideas are no respecters of persons. Many ideas have been put into effect that were submitted by stenographers, stock room workers, and others who have had no mechanical training. You are just as capable of thinking of a new idea as the next fellow. **Your name does not appear on the blank that goes to the committee. Your idea is decided solely on its merits.**

News of YOUR Department



- Transfers
- Promotions
- Unusual Doings
- Hobbies

ABOUT
Johnny, Mike, Pete and Mary
Sports - Ideas - Photos

- News of Boys
in Service
- Marriages
- Births

SALES DEPARTMENT

THIS BOUQUET ISN'T BLARNEY

A. H. O'DOWD, JR., our Field Engineer in the Minneapolis area recently established a new jobbing outlet for Plomb Tools in Minneapolis. This new jobber is one of the biggest and best automotive, diesel and industrial wholesalers in the middle west . . . U. S. SUPPLY COMPANY. O'DOWD says: (writing to Marwayne Christensen) "Let me tell you and Kirwin that the powers that be in the U. S. Supply Company greatly appreciate the effort we made not only to furnish the tools but also the information they wanted. I had the manager, sales manager, and buyer all tell me about the fine service you gave them.

I think that you at that end should know that the trade appreciates what you are trying to do for us and this isn't my "Blarney from Ireland" cropping out either."

(Marwayne and Kirwin please rise and take a bow.)

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BOB HERREN wishes to express his appreciation to everyone in the Plomb Tool organization for their kindness in the recent loss of his father, Cecil S. Herren.

HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEW RUMOR BOARD? Latest rumor: that Freeman Kirwin is actually growing new hair on his bean — well, anyway he has what it takes INSIDE that old cranium, so why worry about the thatch.

MARTHA BRANN — formerly in Anne Kelly's office, is the new secretary in the Sales Department. She replaces **BARBARA PEYTON** who left to be married.

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Virginia Rennie and Norma Hogan

We hope **BETTY BOWLES** is enjoying this week visiting with her husband. He is on leave from Farragut, Idaho.

NORA WHITAKER has been ill this week. Hurry and get well, Nora, we miss you.

The reason for the smile on **CHARLOTTE SMITH'S** face. She found an apartment in Los Angeles, and she looked for only three weeks.

IF YOU WANT MORE MUSIC or different music, call on **MAESTRO STURGES**. If you have any favorite records, bring them along and Dain will play them for you.

PRODUCTION CONTROL

GEORGE GORIS is leaving us this week to join the ranks of Uncle Sam's Navy. We are sure he will do as good a job in uniform as he has been doing for Production Control. Good luck, George!

CARL ELLIS is back again after a severe accident New Year's eve. We are glad to see him back on the job and we are all pulling for him.

MRS. ESTHER PENDLETON ("Penny") of Cost Posting was pleased to have her daughter, Jane, visit her from Dallas, Texas. Mother and daughter took a short tour through the plant this week and enjoyed it immensely. Come back again Jane!

ALICE HUNTER is back on the job after a week's absence, due to her father's ill health. Our best wishes for a very speedy recovery for your father, Alice!

GEORGE CARLSON and **FRED DICKINSON** both had birthdays last week but they were very secretive as to the number of candles there should have been if there would have been a cake. Sounds complicated, but we're still in the dark.

FORGE SHOP NEWS

Pat Ryan, Sup't.

JOHN LAUFMAN of Forge Die Shop, has returned after a leave of absence.

S. O. S. . . LOREN D. BLACK is looking for a car, roller skates, scooter, or what have you. REASON: His car was wrecked and he can't get to work.

ADRIAN VAN CAMPEN reported on sick leave. It's his dogs.

Why did **CARL MALMQUIST** have such a blank look in his eye Tuesday morning?

ERNIE THOM, formerly of the Forge Dep't., wrote to Carl the other day from "somewhere at sea."

ERNIE writes: "After being in the Navy over a year I have seen a few Plomb wrenches but only a few. Where do they all go? How about telling some of those jerks to write once in a while? I know it won't kill them. Ask Slim to write some time soon and tell me where his brother-in-law Johnny is."

Ernest E. Thom
U. S. S. Chester - M-Div.
c/o Fleet P. O.
San Francisco, California.

DISTRIBUTION SERVICE DEPT.

Ernest Wynkoop, Mgr.

PEARL TYLER tying into tools with tenacity — reason: Husband's 3 week visit ends with his return to Alameda and a promotion to Lt. F. G. in Merch Marine.

MICKEY MCGUIRE, Counting Room inspection, half way belongs to the Stock room. Hurt her finger in stockroom of Better now.

BETTY FOY, **JEAN CHAMBERLAIN** and **MARY NOVIKOFF** comprise the assembling Navy sets — and an able crew they are with **JUNE "GAIL" YOUNG** spending some of her spare helping.

RALPH SLOTTERBECK "took a powder to Medical — and "took a powder Medical — under threat from **GOR WILKINSON** who wants to keep Ralph the job.

MARGARET ANSELL leaves the Dep't., Saturday for a very good reason "Va a dios" Margaret.

STUDIOUS MARY QUICK studies in Tool catalogue days and goes to school in preparation for the Navy Corps — a break for her patients she gets 'em.

CATHERINE SALTER heads the Post crew. Does she also head "harem" of head man **PAT PATTERSON** with his share-the-riders — six feathered riders at that?

BILLING DEPARTMENT

Two new girls in the Billing Department **NINA RAE** and **BELLE HANKINS**.

The new system is not only giving girls headaches but seems like a throw back in our old school days with memorizing, taking notes, etc.

RAE NASSAR'S mind must have wandered miles away the other day when she left her jewelry in the waste paper basket. Would you like to tell us about it,

INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

Glenn Crist, Chief Inspector

MISSING: The boss! Who? **WILSON GLENN CRIST** . . . you know him?

GLENN caught the train Saturday for Chicago — knows it's cold we're in now. Here's wishing him a good one (the lucky stiff) for the next morning.

WATCH THOSE CIGARS, **Glenn BELL** won't guarantee they aren't

ANVIL CHORUS

IN WHICH WE JOIN IN A CHORUS OF VICTORY

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CAFETERIA

Nette Rowley, Mgr.

PICK UP THAT DRUMSTICK, BABE.

Don't let the starchiness of Emily Post prevent you from taking the natural method of removing meat from that Turkey or Chicken bone. Grab the Drumstick (or pork chop bone) and put your grinders to work on it.

IF JANE AT THE NEXT TABLE seems a bit shocked, don't let it throw you, beautiful. Just stare coldly down your nose and inform her that the Homely Ladies Journal has put its seal of approval on the gnawing of bones.

IF THERE'S A SCOTCHMAN at the next table (with someone picking up his lunch check) save the bone for him. He'll take it home to Rover. (Or maybe make soup with it first.)

SOP UP THE REMAINING GRAVY on your plate with your bread. This is another custom which originated in Scotland, we're told. (Ask Dick, he'd know.) It is now openly advocated by the best people who eat at the Waldorf-Astoria. It is said, however, that the bread should be impaled on a fork.

RAISED EYEBROWS, our editor says, should be met with "pointed remarks" about the gravy's food value and the economy of getting all the good you can out of rationed food, these days. If you prefer not to use a fork, simply put on an air of authority, and say that fingers are used by the Chinese (see Confucious' rules for living, page 1968, paragraph 7.)

THE BEST THING about the Chinese story is that few people have been to China. (Be careful that Major Schmullian isn't hiding underneath your table listening to your conversation — the very idea of such a thing). He's an authority on oriental customs.

PARSLEY and LEMON are no longer mere garnishments to the meal, and again taking advantage of that book by the famous Scotch authority on nutrition, Angus McTooth, lemons are literally loaded with Vitamin C. (And the citrus growers need the dough, anyway).

PUT THE LEMONS in your cupboard for next summer's Tom Collins is Kirwin's advice . . . or even for lemonade if worst comes to worst, he adds.

IF YOU ARE STILL A BELIEVER IN SCOTCH THRIFT you can TIP the soup bowl . . . away from you. So if the soup spills, it will spill on the table and not in your lap . . . and you save a cleaning bill on that last summer's suit.

However, DICK THE DUNKER says that they haven't yet O.K'd HIS favorite sport (OOH HOO, EMILY, where the heck did you go to? Hiding behind a post I'll bet.)

SHARING RIDES

Major Alfred Schmullian

Only a brief start has been made in formation of auto ride sharing parties, according to a statement issued today by C. S. Beesemyer, a director of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce.

Urging that employees of industrial plants, business houses and other institutions form these gasoline saving parties on an increased scale, he declared a recent statewide survey showed only 1.95 persons riding in the average motor car.

"Stand on any street corner," said Beesemyer, who is vice-president of the Gilmore Oil Co., "and note the number of cars, which have only one occupant — the driver.

"Then count the hopeful persons, waiting on the same corner, wishing a street car or bus would arrive."

Without reservation, Beesemyer predicted a further cut in gasoline allotment for Los Angeles County. This will not be due to bureaucracy or politics, he continued, but to the simple mathematical process of subtracting more gasoline from the civilian supply to meet the need of the military.

Ration coupons, he asserted, will have less value when the next cut in gasoline arrives. Coupon holders will have to hunt for a filling station, which might have sufficient gasoline to meet their needs.

Issuing his authoritative statement at request of the Citizens' Manpower Committee, which is sponsoring a "stay on the job and finish the job" campaign, Beesemyer forecast a greatly increased burden on the street railway and bus companies when the community goes on lower gasoline rations.

Camp Hathaway, Washington

I would like to express my appreciation for the kind consideration that the Plomb Tool Company has shown me as an employee and a soldier, by sending weekly copies of the Anvil Chorus.

Needless to say I enjoy reading them very much; especially the activities and improvements in the plant, and also the articles and activities of my former buddies whom I know personally.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the many friends for gifts and tokens of appreciation upon my departure, and I hope when it is all over that I may return to Plomb Tool to render further service.

Pvt. John W. Allen
579th Port Company

ANNIVERSARY PINS

Office - Los Angeles—

FRED J. BOZON 4 years
WM. M. McBEE 3 years

Factory - Los Angeles—

GEORGE E. WALLS 13 years
FRANCIS M. PILAND 4 years
HARRY B. ROGERS 3 years
RICHARD W. WINEINGER 2 years

Salesman—

BENJAMIN WILE 18 years

MEDICAL

BLOOD DONORS are still needed every week. The Red Cross is the sole agency through which blood is collected for the armed forces.

ANYONE between the ages of 21 and 60, weighing 110 pounds or more, may donate blood. The process is painless and there are no harmful after effects, as the body quickly restores the blood taken. You may save the life of a wounded soldier by donating a pint of your blood.

THE BEST YEAR-AROUND TEMPERATURE IS A WARM HEART AND A COOL HEAD.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
University Park
Los Angeles

February 10, 1944

Mr. Al Hawley
Assistant Works Manager
Plomb Tool Company
Dear Mr. Hawley:

In behalf of the students in Business Management and myself, I would like to express our appreciation of the excellent field trip through your plant recently. The Navy boys who participated in this trip derived a great deal of value and benefit from it, and I am sure, came back to their classes in Industrial Organization and Management with a keener and more realistic understanding of what Industry is all about.

I trust that sometime in the future we may have an opportunity to undertake a similar field trip with other groups.

Yours very truly,
Karl F. Venter
College of Commerce.

FOR SALE: Gas Heater, 25x19x18, just like new. Worth \$16.50 for \$13.00. See Beth Carsten, Order Dept.

ANNIL CHVRLZ

IN WHICH WE JOIN IN A CHORUS OF VICTORY

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 Factory - Los Angeles
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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

BLOOD DONORS are all needed every week. The Red Cross is always needing enough whole blood to collect for its great forces.

ANYONE between the ages of 17 and 65, weighing 110 pounds or more, and of sound mind and body, is eligible to donate blood. The process is quick and painless, and there is no harmful effect on the body. The body quickly replaces the blood that you may save. Be of a good heart, soldier, by donating a pint of your blood.

THE BEST TEARLESS THERMISTERS. THEY IN A WARM HEART AND A GOOD HEAD.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
 University Park
 Los Angeles
 February 12, 1942

Mr. Al Rowley
 Assistant Vice President
 Power Tool Company
 1200 N. Hollywood
 Los Angeles, California

In behalf of the students in business management and myself, I would like to express our appreciation of the excellent work you have done in the past year. It is a pleasure to have you as a member of our organization. We are sure that you will continue to be a valuable asset to our organization.

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SHARING RIDES

Major Alfred Sommer

Only a brief mention has been made in the pages of our magazine of the many ways in which the members of the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Legion are helping to share their own rides. The members of the Los Angeles Chapter are helping to share their own rides in many ways. They are helping to share their own rides in many ways. They are helping to share their own rides in many ways.

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CAPTIVIA

Wells Rowley, Mrs.

UP THAT DRUMSTICK BARE
 Let the rhythm of the drumstick bare, let the rhythm of the drumstick bare, let the rhythm of the drumstick bare.

THERE'S A SCOTCHMAN
 There's a Scotchman, there's a Scotchman, there's a Scotchman.

UP THE REMAINING GRAVY
 Up the remaining gravy, up the remaining gravy, up the remaining gravy.

SEED EYEBROWS
 Seed eyebrows, seed eyebrows, seed eyebrows.

BEST THING
 Best thing, best thing, best thing.

ELY AND LEMON
 Ely and lemon, ely and lemon, ely and lemon.

TO ARE STILL A BELIEVER IN
 To are still a believer in, to are still a believer in, to are still a believer in.

MEANDERING WITH MELENDEZ

Don Melendez

HARRY LE TOURNEAU and **PETER KELLER** are the two electricians who help **OLSEN** keep your machines and electric gadgets hooked up to Boulder Dam.

NO, MARY . . . the jeeps are not wound up like a watch. They have engines that take a terrible beating and have to be repaired every so often . . . and that's **RALPH TONN'S** job.

BENNY wants to know if I was ever in the newspaper business? Yes, Benny, and I can still remember my slogan: "Any rags, any paper, any bottles to sell?"

JIM WEEKS "has scruples" . . . so said one of his buddies. "Well" said one of the electricians: "Why doesn't he wash his head with coal oil?"

LAST WEEK the editor said I had journalistic plasma. Now nobody wants to come near me. Please, Mr. Editor, tell 'em it's not contagious. (Or is it?)

HAIL TOM GILLESPIE — what a genius thou art! (What brought that on?) **THE SPANIARDS** have a proverb, to wit: "Todos los calvos son savios" — all bald men are wise.

Street Car Episode

The time . . . last Sunday evening about 9:30 p. m. The place . . . a Temple street car. This type of car has two parallel seats running lengthwise along each side of the center section so that passengers sit facing each other.

The man was already there when I got on. He wore a light grey suit, old but clean . . . was about 28 or 30 years old. A bad scar like a burn, ran from his left ear to his mouth. Two or three other passengers occupied part of the seat, and at the far end a little girl knelt on the seat and looked out of the window while she sang: "Chicks and ducks . . . and geese better scatter".

At Alvarado a girl got on. I'd say she was about 23. (Who can tell, nowadays?) She was decidedly the hard boiled type. She wore a tight fitting sweater and her "5 & 10" breasts stuck out like a couple of machine guns. She sat opposite the man with the scar. He looked right at her sweater — she acted uncomfortable — looked at her finger nails — at the car cards above his head — then back at the man. **He was still looking.**

Not even when she gave him an angry look or even when she muttered between her teeth: "Cut it out, will ya?" did he look the other way.

The little girl kept on singing. The man kept on staring, once in a while a faint smile coming to his face.

Presently the car stopped and the hard boiled dame got up and with eyes flashing blurted out: "Say, you've been staring at me ever since I got on. See how you like this, you wolf." And so saying she sunk her high heel into the man's toes and hurried off the car.

The man's sudden cry of pain brought the little girl running to him. "Daddy, daddy" she cried "I should have stayed

POLISH DEPARTMENT

Al Carhart, Supervisor

On the sick list this week are **RICHARD VERDUGO** and **CORVIE TULLIO**. A speedy recovery and back to work soon — from Al. and the gang.

THE LAST STRETCH of the new flooring is about to be laid in the Polish Dept. What a wonderful feeling to have our feet on solid floor again. And with the centerless grinder in the grinding Dept. — the Polish Dept. is getting into swell shape, thanks to Maintenance.

SORRY FOLKS — The Polish Dept. is a little backwards this week. Ask the tall good looking Polisher how it feels to be doing one thing and thinking something else? Is his face red????

DID YOU EVER TRY to run a car with the transmission put in backwards? Ask **MURRAY** he tried it.

AL IS SORRY to lose a good man like **HERACLIO MENDOZA**, but you are going into a fine department, one that rates tops all the way around, and to a swell Supervisor. Good luck from the gang.

SAY FELLOWS — This Column is for everyone in the Polish Dept. How's about some news?

SICK LIST

Dorothy Van Gundy, R. N.

MARY BURRELL, machine shop has been ill for several days with a severe cold.

BETTYE ZAHNTER, machine shop, has the measles.

MURIEL TIKOTSKY, machine shop, has returned to work after an operation on her foot.

PHILLIP FRANCES, machine shop, has been out due to a nose operation.

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here with you". The man in a low voice answered her: "That's all right, dear. Let's get off here". And as she led him to the door I was stunned by a shock of anger for it was not until then that I noticed on his face that look of calm resignation that you see only on the faces of those who are **totally blind**.

Under the spreading blacksmith tree  
The village chestnut stands  
The nut a mighty chest has he  
With bands like iron arms.

**PLOMB POETS** are invited to contribute poems similar to the above. Send in your efforts. Dick Walter will be the judge, so use as few words as possible. To the winner, the Maintenance Department will award (and gladly) one of **ROBBIE'S** pipes — the one with the Channel-De-Long-Beach "scent".

Helper: "Dan, how can I hit a nail without hitting my fingers?"

"Why, you idiot, hold the hammer in both hands."

## GRINDING LINE

Grist from the Daily Grind  
George Waddleton, Foreman

**FLOYD BOLLIN** bought nearly every man in the Grinding Dept., an alarm clock. One reason for them being on time every morning.

**MENDOZA**, miracle man of the Centerless Grinder, is now in the Grinding Department and brought his machine with him from the Polish Line.

**BESLY GRINDERS** will soon be transferred from the Box Factory location to the Grinding Line. Welcome to the Gang, all of you transferees.

**WITH JIM SCULLIN** now reporting for Grinders, we hope to have some snappy news right along.

**BOND DRIVE**: Even though we are on top in the Fourth War Loan Bond Drive, we only wish that each Department could do equally well or better. We would then know that we are going to town in a big way.

**MAYBE NICK BAUER** needs a new alarm clock. Imagine a fellow coming to work at 4:30 A. M., an hour and a half ahead of time, for no reason at all.

## EXPORT FLASHES

**HON. ALONZO DE ENGLISH**, Paraguayan Consul, was the guest of **BERARDO PEREZ**, Plomb's Export Mgr., and after luncheon was introduced to **BOB KERR** and **ERNEST WYNKOOP** with whom he had a friendly talk about South American conditions. **DON PROUL** also joined in the discussion.

## HEAT TREATING DEPARTMENT

**FLOYD STUMBO** is still wondering if he brought the right baby home from the hospital. That baby boy that he bragged so much about turned out to be a 5¼-pound girl which they named **STEPHANIE LOIS**. Don't feel too badly Floyd — remember girls are made of sugar and everything nice.

## TAX MATTERS

### ANOTHER REMINDER

The Internal Revenue Department's local office has assigned a representative to be on hand in our Personnel Department for three days, February 21, 22 and 23, to assist Plomb employees in making out their Income Tax Reports correctly. All who wish to take advantage of this free service should come well prepared with all figures necessary to complete the report promptly. The more complete your figures are, the quicker the job can be done.

**PLEASE NOTE**: If you wish to avail yourself of tax assistance **YOU MUST MAKE AN APPOINTMENT** in advance. Get your name on the date book in Personnel **IMMEDIATELY** to assure yourself this help. See Fred Bozon.



**NEWS OF PLOMB TOOLERS  
IN THE SERVICE**



**CORPORAL FRANK PELLY SENDS  
GREETINGS**

Dear Gang:

After being moved around as much as I have I didn't think it wise for you to change my address until I was in a permanent location.

The Army hasn't really hurt me much except for my first few days when I thought that everybody in the outfit was picking on ME.

I am now in the forestry unit, a wide margin from what I would be doing in the Army. I have been training recruits for the past two and a half months, giving them basic training and lecturing. Tell Mr. Ross that no matter what I could have taken nothing would have done me so much good as the class in Effective Speaking I took with him. I conduct lectures and classes taking sometimes three to four hours and have little trouble doing the job.

I enjoy every copy of the Anvil Chorus and have saved every issue so far, and go back and read them again occasionally.

Corporal Frank Pelly  
1392 Engineering Forestry Co.  
Camp Claiborne, Louisiana.

**PLOMB TOOLS DOING GRAND JOB**

Richard C. Walter,  
Editor, Anvil Chorus:

I am taking this opportunity to thank you and the Plomb Tool Company for the copies of the Anvil Chorus that I have received lately, altho I am not a past member of your grand organization I do know several of the employees that work with you. I recently had the privilege of going thru the plant and I must say that I enjoyed seeing what goes on in all the various departments. It was certainly a grand surprise when I received the first copy of your paper and I now look forward to each copy and always look to see if there is anything in it that has to do with any of the people that I know who are working for your Company. I am at present out here at Yuma, Ariz., and as a member of the Air Corps, I have had many opportunities to see all the many Plomb tools in actual use and they certainly are helping to do a grand job. When I return to Los Angeles, I shall look forward to another pleasant trip thru your plant. Thanking you again for the papers I have received and looking forward to many more copies.

Pfc. Louis A. Gould,  
330th Sub-Depot, YAAF,  
Yuma, Arizona.

**BURRINGLY YOURS**

Clarence B. Douglas, Supervisor

(In the absence of Helen Recker the column is edited by Norma Propes this week.)

**HELEN RECKER** our little Walter Winchell, has been bitten by the flu bug. Hope she'll be back soon.

**OLIVE ZENOBIA** is home ill. We miss her and hope she will have a speedy recovery.

**DOUG**, our jolly supervisor, is quite a cake baker, we hear. How about a cake for the gals in the department, Doug.

**BOWLING ADVICE:** Remember, Helen, one of the first rules in bowling is to let go of the ball when you throw it — otherwise it's likely to throw YOU. Better luck next time.

**GRINDING** is pleasant since the blowers were overhauled. Thanks to our fine Maintenance department for a good job well done.

**OLD NEWSPAPERS WANTED**

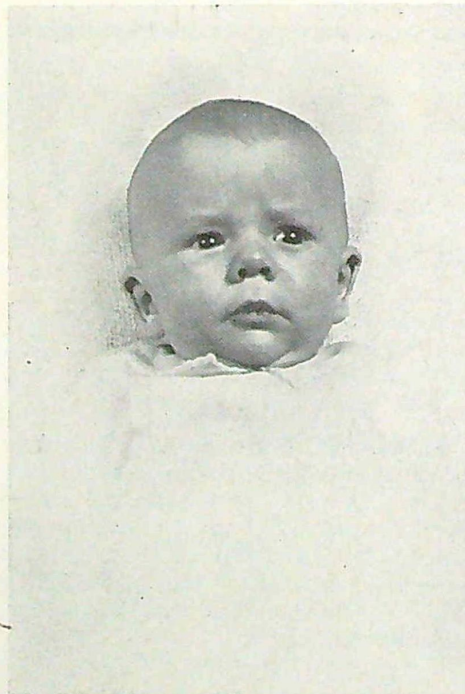
We really need old newspapers to line tubs with and protect tools. SO . . . if you have any old newspapers around home PLEASE LET US HAVE THEM. You will be doing yourself and us a favor. Leave them by the time clock and we'll pick them up. Thanks.

**COMMON HORSE SENSE IS JUST STABLE THINKING.**

**THANKS FOR THE MUSIC**

There have been many favorable comments on the music broadcast during the lunch period and this is to express appreciation of scores of Plomb Toolers for this pleasant innovation which is enjoyed by everybody.

**CUTIE!**



**RICHARD SLINING, JR.**, son of Dick Slining, who used to work at Plomb plant Los Angeles. Dick's father is manager of Plomb's Chicago branch.

**THE TIME IS SHORT! WHAT?**

Remember the Annual Meeting of members of the Plomb Employees' Association — the last Saturday in February which is the 26th — Annual Reports and ELECTION of the New Board of Directors.

After the Business Meeting and Election, Coffee and Sandwiches will be served.

Remember the date — February 26 Saturday; the time — 12:30 p. m. place — The Club House.

**P & C NEWS**

Barney McClain

Congratulations to Charles West (Maine) upon the arrival of a daughter yesterday.

Fred Robbins arrived Monday from Angeles for a short visit with P & C.

The War Production Committee announced the winners last week of the letter contest "What Can We Do at P & C to Improve War Effort?" The prize winners, as determined by outside judges, were: Pete Morrison, 1st prize, \$15.00; David Myers, 2nd prize, \$10.00; Anna Misun, 3rd prize, \$5.00.

It's OVER THE TOP again for the P Family. The Fourth War Bond Drive has subscribed 100% based upon the quota assigned to us by the War Bond Committee. Congratulations are in order for every member of the War Bond Committee for their good work putting the drive over.

Chief Petty Officer L. C. Hildenbrand a visitor this week in our Plant. He is son of George Hildenbrand, maintenance man stationed in Oklahoma.

Fred Robbins left last Monday for Chicago. The Welcome Mat is out, Fred, any time can come back to see us.

**CHICAGO NEWS**

Emily Smetak

Helen Evans, one of our night shift employees, had the experience of riding a patrol wagon Tuesday night and it ain't you think, either! While on her way to work she tripped over a wire and hurt her head. She was rushed to the hospital where she received first aid. We all wish you a speedy recovery, Helen!

"We'll give him a hearty welcome", said Weatherman Thursday, the day of Mr. Slining's arrival to Chicago after spending a few days at Los Angeles, and also at Valdosta, Georgia where he and Mrs. Slining attended the graduation of their son, Lt. Robert L. Slining. "sho' 'nuf", he was greeted with one of the worst blizzards we had this winter.

After graduation and receiving his "Bob" came back with Mr. and Mrs. Slining to spend a week's furlough at home, which he goes to Columbia, South Carolina for further training. We wish him the best of luck!

**VISITORS:** Clarence Wilde, son of our polishers — John Wilde, is home on furlough and came down to pay us a visit at the plant Wednesday.

"Bob" Slining spent half a day Friday at the plant here at Plomb.

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